

“There is an admirable conjunction of diverse excellencies in Jesus Christ.”

Jonathan Edwards

A picture of
desperation—Verses 1
& 3

You can expect Jesus
to take what is small
and obscure and
invest it with
everlasting greatness.

– Verses 2 & 4b

“God chose a stable so no innkeeper could boast, ‘He chose the comfort of my inn!’ God chose a manger so that no wood worker could boast, ‘He chose the craftsmanship of my bed!’ He chose Bethlehem so no one could boast, ‘The greatness of our city constrained the divine choice!’ And he chose you and me, freely and unconditionally, to stop the mouth of all human boasting.” – John Piper

“The Scripture emphasizes that much can come from little if the little is truly consecrated to God. There are no little people and no big people in the true spiritual sense, but only consecrated and unconsecrated people.”

“... we should consciously take the lowest place unless the Lord Himself extrudes us into a greater one.” – Francis Schaeffer

You can expect Jesus
to be ancient, yet able
to make all things
new. – Verse 2b

The birth of Jesus was not a coming into being of a new person, but a coming into the world of an infinitely old person.

– John Piper

You can expect Jesus
to wield all his power
to protect you, provide
for you, and give you
peace. – Verses 4-5a